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	Russian Federation	Mr. Dolgov
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Thomson
	United Republic of Tanzania	Ms. Taj
	United States of America	Mrs. Patterson

Agenda

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

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The meeting was called to order at 12.45 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

The President: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Following consultations among the members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the Council.

"The Security Council welcomes the conclusions of the London Meeting on supporting the Palestinian Authority, on 1 March. The Council supports the objectives of the London Meeting to help the Palestinian leadership strengthen the institutions needed for a viable and independent Palestinian State.

"The Security Council hopes that the London Meeting will be part of the longer-term process of international support to the Palestinian people and the Palestinian Authority and a contribution to helping both sides implement the road map endorsed by the Security Council in resolution 1515 (2003) and agreed to by the parties as the path towards a lasting comprehensive negotiated settlement to the Middle East conflict, based on Security Council resolutions 242 (1967), 338 (1973) and 1397 (2002).

"The Security Council stresses the crucial importance of security, good governance and development of the Palestinian economy. In this context, the Council welcomes President Abbas's comprehensive plan presented at the London Meeting for strengthening the Palestinian Authority's institutions in these three areas.

"The Security Council stresses the key role of the international community in assisting the Palestinian Authority in taking forward this plan. The Council welcomes the international community's commitments to respond to the plans of the Palestinian Authority by providing financial and political support. The Council recognizes the important role of the Quartet in international efforts aimed at providing assistance to the Palestinian Authority in th security, economic development and g

"The Security Council su proposals for follow-up to the Lond and looks forward to their early imple

"The Security Council support Statement of the Quartet issued fo meeting of the Quartet in the mar London Meeting, and looks forw Quartet's active engagement forthcoming period, while recognizi important role of other interested parti

"The Security Council reiterates its respect by the Government of Isra Palestinian Authority of understandi at the Sharm el-Sheikh summit on 8 particular that all Palestinians will sto violence against all Israelis everywh Israel will cease all its military activi all Palestinians everywhere.

"The Security Council reiterates its Israel and the Palestinian Authority continued progress in the peace proc full implementation of the road ma contact with the Quartet. It stresses t concerted and sustained action by the Authority to fulfil its secu commitments and welcomes in th President Abbas's commitment to effort towards that end. The Council s the need for Israel to implement its commitments.

"The Security Council reiterates its immediate cessation of all acts o including all acts of terror, p incitement and destruction.

"The Security Council reiterates its c to the vision of two States, Israel an living side by side in peace and securit

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The Security Council has thus con present stage of its consideration of the i agenda.

The meeting rose at 12.50 p.m.